# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	)	
Big Pipe US, Inc.	)	
	)	File No. I-T-C-01
Application for Authority Pursuant to Section 214	)	
of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,	)	
for global facilities-based and resale authority	)	
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#### **APPLICATION**

Big Pipe US, Inc. ("Big Pipe US" or the "Applicant"), by its attorneys, hereby requests authority pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and in accordance with Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18, to provide global facilities-based and resale international services between the United States and international points.

Big Pipe US is a Canadian company that intends to provide backbone access to Internet Service Providers. Big Pipe US is affiliated with a foreign carrier. Big Pipe US's parent, Shaw Communications Inc. ("Shaw Communications"), through its affiliates, provides cable, telecommunications, Internet, broadcasting and satellite services to the citizens of Canada. In connection with the provision of the services offered by Shaw Communications, Big Pipe US seeks to provide global facilities-based services and to resell to its subscribers international long distance services of other carriers to all foreign points.

By granting this application, the Commission will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by promoting competition in the international services market. Competition will

benefit U.S. consumers by increasing service options and lowering prices. Thus, the public interest will be served by the grant of Section 214 authority to Big Pipe US.

#### **Section 63.18 Information**

The following information is submitted, as required by Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, in support of this Application:

# (a) <u>Name, Address and Telephone Number</u>

Big Pipe US, Inc. 630 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW Suite 900 Calgary, Canada T2P 4L4 Telephone: (403) 750 - 4500 Facsimile: (403) 234 - 6236

## (b) <u>Correspondence</u>

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# (d) Existing Section 214 Authority

Big Pipe US has not received authority previously under Section 214 of the Communications Act.

#### (e)(4) Requested Commission Action

Big Pipe US requests global facilities-based and resale Section 214 authority pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18(e)(1) and 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules. Big Pipe US does not seek to acquire facilities or provide services other than those listed above.

#### (g) Environmental Assessment

Big Pipe US does not seek to acquire facilities under Section 63.18(e)(4); therefore, Section 1.1306 of the Commission's rules regarding environmental assessments is inapplicable.

## (h) <u>Ten Percent Owners</u>

The name, address, citizenship and principal business of those persons who control ten percent (10%) or more of Big Pipe US are provided below:

Persons Name and Address	Persons Ownership Interest	Citizenship	Principal Business
Shaw Communications Inc., 630 - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Calgary, Canada T2P 4L4	100	Canadian	Communications

#### (i) Certifications/Foreign Affiliations

Big Pipe US certifies that it is affiliated with a Canadian carrier.

#### (j) Service to Certain Destination/Countries - Response to Question 12

Big Pipe US certifies that it intends to provide international telecommunications services between Canada and the United States as described in Section 63.18(j)(1) of the Commission's rules.

#### (k) <u>Destination Country</u>

Big Pipe US certifies that Canada is a member of the World Trade Organization.

#### (1) Resale of Unaffiliated U.S. Carrier

Big Pipe US may resell international switched services of an unaffiliated U.S. carrier. In the event that it does, as stated below, Big Pipe US qualifies for non-dominant classification and thus, no quarterly traffic reports pursuant to § 43.61 are required with respect to such resold service.

## (m) Foreign Carriers or Affiliation with Certain Foreign Carriers

Big Pipe US qualifies for non-dominant classification pursuant to Section 63.10(a)(3) of the Commission's rules because it, and its parent, Shaw Communications, lack sufficient market power on the foreign end of the route to affect competition adversely in the U.S. market. Big Pipe US and Shaw Communications lack 50 percent market share in the international transport and the local access markets on the foreign end of the route.

# (n) <u>Special Concessions from Foreign Carriers</u>

Big Pipe US certifies that it has not agreed to accept at present or in the future any direct or indirect special concessions from a foreign carrier or administration with respect to traffic or revenue flows between the United States and any foreign country it may be authorized to serve.

# (o) <u>Certification Regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988</u>

Big Pipe US certifies that it has not been denied any federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

#### (p) <u>Streamlined Processing</u>

Big Pipe US seeks streamlined processing of the instant Application pursuant to Section 63.12(c) of the FCC's rules because: (1) the affiliated destination market is a WTO Member country and the applicant qualifies for a presumption of non-dominance under §63.10(a)(3) of the Commission's rules; (2) the Applicant is not affiliated with a dominant domestic carrier; (3) the Applicant does not seek to provide services to a country not previously authorized by the FCC; and (4) the FCC has not informed Big Pipe US that streamlined processing is not available.

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